

that would reach the Chesapeake, would be nearly sixty thousand bushels; add to this the proceeds of not less than ten thousand acres that would be bro't into cultivation, and the immense quantities of lumber of almost every description, that otherwise can never find a market, shews in part the value of the contemplated improvement. Then if the communication should be effected between the Pokomoke river and Tangier Sound, by which to avoid the difficulties of the mud, the distance to Baltimore would be thereby shortened nearly sixty miles; and we are informed by those best acquainted with the navigation, that nearly two trips might be made where one is now made; then might fire-wood become a marketable article, in which Somerset and Worcester counties abound.

We made application to the Executive of this State, to endeavor to obtain an engineer from the U. States' Corps, the result of which may be seen by documents in the Executive Department; of course, our Report must be lame and unsatisfactory, without being accompanied by an artist so indispensable in such operations. We beg leave to suggest the propriety and expediency of locating an Engineer in this district for the purposes mentioned in the Report of the Committee the present year. We believe it is demanded by the importance of this Atlantic section of the state.

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